

Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge (recalled) Warren W. Bentz

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Warren W. Bentz
Bankruptcy Judge (recalled)

Date of Birth: 1926
Education: Michigan 1946 BS; Harvard 1954 LLB
Began Service: March 22, 1985
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Corporate: Structural Engineer

Government: Borough Solicitor, Office of the Borough Solicitor (1966-1985); Assistant Solicitor, Office of the Solicitor (1967-1977)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1954-1985)

Military Service: United States Naval Reserve (1943-1946)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Erie County Bar Association (PA); Pennsylvania Bar Association

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Ronald E. Cook** (814) 464-9780
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Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge (recalled) Bernard Markovitz

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Bernard Markovitz
Bankruptcy Judge (recalled)

Date of Birth: 1939
Education: Westminster (PA) 1962 BA; Duquesne 1965 LLB
Began Service: 1985
Term Expires: 2013

Affiliation: Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court of the Virgin Islands

Government: Assistant District Attorney, Office of the District Attorney, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (1966-1969); Assistant Solicitor, School District of Pittsburgh (1969-1972)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1965-1985)

Military Service: United States Navy (1984)

Current Memberships: Allegheny County Bar Association; American Judges Association; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; Pennsylvania Bar Association

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Ronald Haver** (412) 644-2764
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Mary M. Lisi
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1950
Education: Rhode Island 1972 BA; Temple 1977 JD
Began Service: June 13, 1994
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Affiliation: Member, American Bar Association

Academic: History Teacher, Prout Memorial High School (1972-1973)

Government: Assistant Public Defender, State of Rhode Island (1977-1981); Assistant Child Advocate, State of Rhode Island (1981-1982); Director, Office of the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), Rhode Island Family Court (1982-1987); Deputy Disciplinary Counsel, Rhode Island Supreme Court (1988-1990); Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Rhode Island Supreme Court (1990-1994); Member, Select Commission to Investigate the Failure of Rhode Island Share and Deposit Indemnity Corporation, State of Rhode Island (1991-1992)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1981-1982)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Rhode Island Bar Association

Staff

Court Reporter **Karen Wischnowsky** (401) 752-7045
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Chambers of District Judge William E. Smith

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William E. Smith
District Judge

Date of Birth: December 31, 1959
Education: Georgetown 1982 BA, 1987 JD
Began Service: December 9, 2002
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Affiliation: Adjunct Faculty Member, Bryant College

Chambers of District Judge William E. Smith continued

Government: Staff Director (R-RI), Office of Senator Lincoln D. Chafee, United States Senate (2000-2001)

Judicial: Judge (part-time), Town of West Warwick, Rhode Island (1993-1998)

Legal Practice: Associate, Edwards & Angell, LLP (1987-1994); Partner, Edwards & Angell, LLP (1994-2000); Counsel, Edwards & Angell, LLP (2001-2002)

Staff

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Chambers of Senior Judge Ronald R. Lagueux

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Ronald R. Lagueux
Senior Judge

Education: Bowdoin 1953 AB; Harvard 1956 LLB
Began Service: September 4, 1986
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
Political Affiliation: Republican

Government: Executive Counsel, Governor John H. Chafee (RI), Office of the Governor, State of Rhode Island (1962-1965); Campaign Policy Advisor, John H. Chafee for Governor

Judicial: Associate Justice, Rhode Island Superior Court (1968-1986)

Legal Practice: Edwards & Angell (1956-1962)

Current Memberships: Rhode Island Bar Association

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Chambers of Senior Judge (recalled) Jacob Hagopian

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Jacob Hagopian
Senior Judge (recalled)

Date of Birth: 1927
Education: George Washington 1957 AB;
American U 1960 JD
Began Service: 1971



Academic: Adjunct Faculty, University of Maryland, Berlin, Germany Center (1961-1963); Adjunct Professor, American University (1964-1970); Director, Law Center, Roger Williams College (1970-1987); Adjunct Professor, Suffolk University Law School (1987-1988); Adjunct Faculty, Naval War College (1996-1998)

Government: Code Committee Member, Uniform Code of Military Justice (2000-2003)

Judicial: Appellate Judge, United States Court of Military Review, Court of Criminal Appeals (1968-1970)

Chambers of Senior Judge (recalled) Jacob Hagopian continued

Military Service: Airborne Infantry, 11th Airborne Division, United States Army, Enlisted Service (1945-1948); 82nd Airborne Division, United States Army (1948-1950); 501st Recon Group, Korea, United States Army (1953); Far East, Tokyo, Japan, United States Army Security Agency (1954-1957); United States Army Security Agency (1957-1960); Special Operations Unit, Berlin, Germany, United States Army Security Agency (1960-1961); Legal Advisor, Intelligence Community, Berlin, Germany, Judge Advocate General Corps, United States Army (1961-1963); Appellate Counsel and Group Supervisor, Defense Appellate Division, Office of the Judge Advocate Gen, United States Army (1964-1966); Deputy and Chief, Criminal Law Division, Office of the Judge Advocate General, United States Army (1966-1968); Colonel, United States Army, JAGC (1968-1970)

Current Memberships: American Judges Association; United States Magistrate Judges Committee, Federal Bar Association; National Defense University Foundation; Naval War College Foundation

Staff

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Chambers of Senior Judge Ernest C. Torres

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Ernest C. Torres
Senior Judge

Education: Dartmouth 1963 AB; Duke 1968 JD
Began Service: 1988
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Affiliation: Member, American Bar Association; Member, Chambers of Member Ernest C. Torres, Judicial Conference of the United States

Corporate: Assistant Vice President, Aetna Life and Casualty (1985-1986)

Government: President, Office of the Town Council, East Greenwich, Rhode Island (1972-1974); State Representative (RI), Rhode Island House of Representatives (1975-1980)

Judicial: Associate Justice, Rhode Island Superior Court (1980-1985); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island

Legal Practice: Associate, Hinckley, Allen, Salisbury & Parsons, 1968; Partner, Saunders & Torres (1974-1980); Tillinghast, Collins & Graham (1986-1987)

Current Memberships: American Association of Justice; American Bar Association; Rhode Island Bar Association

Staff

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